GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

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DISTRIBUTION OF DISUSED CULTIVABLE LAND
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether lakhs of acres of cultivable land are in disuse throughout the country;

(b) is so, whether the Government propose to distribute such cultivable land to landless farm labourers;

(c) if so, the details of action plan in this regard; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) to (d): The lands under culturable Waste lands, Fallow lands and other degraded lands are underutilised with respect to their potential. The distribution of lands to landless farm labourers falls under administrative jurisdiction of the States, therefore action is taken by respective State Governments on this matter.